CLAIM AMENDMENTS

The following listing of claim amendments replaces all prior versions and listings.

- 1.-95. (Canceled)
- 96. (Currently Amended) A server for storing Web objects in co-located positions on a storage device, comprising:

a processor;

one or more stored sequences of instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the steps of:

receiving, at a server from a first client device, a first request for a first Web object; in response to the first request,

the server obtaining the first Web object and a second Web object; and the server sending to the first client device the first Web object and the second Web object;

the server causing the first Web object to be stored in a first temporary location on the storage device;

the server causing the second Web object to be stored in a second temporary location on the storage device,

wherein the storage device is included in the server;

wherein the server is a Web caching server;

the server identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

determining that a criterion is satisfied, wherein the criterion is satisfied when the Web caching server is processing a number of requests that is below a specified value;

based on a criterion being satisfied,

- the server causing the first Web object to be stored as a first file in a first

 storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the first Web
 object to be stored as a first file comprises the server causing the first
 Web object to be moved from the first temporary location to the first
 storage location; and
- the server causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file in a second storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file comprises the server causing the second Web object to be moved from the second temporary location to the second storage location;
- wherein the second <u>storage</u> location is selected to be co-located with respect to the first <u>storage</u> location in response to identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;
- receiving, at the server from a second client device, a second request for the first Web object; and
- in response to the second request,
 - the server obtaining the first Web object by causing the first file to be read from the storage device in a first read operation;
 - the server obtaining the second Web object by causing the second file to be read from the storage device in a second read operation; and the server sending to the second client device the first Web object and the second Web object.
- 97. (Currently Amended) A server as recited in Claim 96, wherein:
 - the first <u>storage</u> location is co-located with respect to the second <u>storage</u> location on the storage device because the first <u>storage</u> location and second <u>storage</u> location are associated with a relationship; and
 - the relationship is selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) the first storage location and the second storage location are located within a first track of the storage device;

- (b) the first <u>storage</u> location is within a first sector of a second track of the storage device, the second <u>storage</u> location is within a second sector of the second track of the storage device, and the first sector is contiguous with the second sector;
- (c) the first storage location is within a third track of the storage device, the second storage location is within a fourth track of the storage device, and the third track is adjacent to the fourth track;
- (d) the first storage location is within a first cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a second cylinder of the storage device, and the first cylinder is adjacent to the second cylinder;
- (e) the first storage location and the second storage location are located within a third cylinder of the storage device; and
- (f) the first storage location is within a fourth cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a fifth cylinder of the storage device, and the fourth cylinder is closely spaced with respect to the fifth cylinder.
- 98. (Canceled)
- 99. (Previously Presented) A server as recited in Claim 96, wherein: the first Web object is a Web page;
 - the second Web object is a component of the Web page;
 - the component of the Web page is associated with a file type that is selected from the group consisting of a text file type, an image file type, an audio file type, and a video file type; and
 - the Web page and the component of the Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the component of the Web page being embedded within the Web page.
- 100. (Previously Presented) A server as recited in Claim 96, wherein: the first Web object is a Web page; the Web page includes a hyper-link to the second Web object; and

the Web page and the second Web object have correlated retrieval times as a result of the Web page including the hyper-link to second Web object.

101. (Previously Presented) A server as recited in Claim 96, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the first Web page and the second Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the second Web page being embedded within the first Web page.

102. (Currently Amended) A server as recited in Claim 96, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the server further comprising sequences of instructions which, when executed by the processor, cause the processor to perform the steps of:

the server identifying that a third Web page is embedded within the second Web page;

the server obtaining the third Web page; and

the server causing the third Web page to be stored as a third file in a third storage location on the storage device, wherein the third storage location is selected to be co-located with respect to the second storage location because the third Web page is embedded within the second Web page.

103 - 109. (Canceled)

110. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for storing Web objects in co-located positions on a storage device, comprising:

means for receiving, at a server from a first client device, a first request for a first Web object;

means for, in response to the first request, .

the server obtaining the first Web object and a second Web object; and

the server sending to the first client device the first Web object and the second Web object;

means for the server causing the first Web object to be stored in a first temporary location on the storage device;

means for the server causing the second Web object to be stored in a second temporary location on the storage device,

wherein the storage device is included in the server; wherein the server is a Web caching server;

means for the server identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

means for determining that a criterion is satisfied, wherein the criterion is satisfied

when the Web caching server is processing a number of requests that is below
a specified value;

means for, based on a criterion being satisfied,

means for the server causing the first Web object to be stored as a first file in a first storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the first Web object to be stored as a first file comprises the server causing the first Web object to be moved from the first temporary location to the first storage location; and

means for the server causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file in a second storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file comprises the server causing the second Web object to be moved from the second temporary location to the second storage location;

wherein the second <u>storage</u> location is selected to be co-located with respect to the first <u>storage</u> location in response to identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

means for receiving, at the server from a second client device, a second request for the first Web object; and

means for, in response to the second request,

- the server obtaining the first Web object by causing the first file to be read from the storage device in a first read operation;
- the server obtaining the second Web object by causing the second file to be read from the storage device in a second read operation; and the server sending to the second client device the first Web object and the second Web object.
- 111. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as recited in Claim 110, wherein:

 the first storage location is co-located with respect to the second storage location on

 the storage device because the first storage location and second storage

 location are associated with a relationship; and

 the relationship is selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) the first storage location and the second storage location are located within a first track of the storage device;
 - (b) the first storage location is within a first sector of a second track of the storage device, the second storage location is within a second sector of the second track of the storage device, and the first sector is contiguous with the second sector;
 - (c) the first <u>storage</u> location is within a third track of the storage device, the second <u>storage</u> location is within a fourth track of the storage device, and the third track is adjacent to the fourth track;
 - (d) the first storage location is within a first cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a second cylinder of the storage device, and the first cylinder is adjacent to the second cylinder;
 - (e) the first storage location and the second location are located within a third cylinder of the storage device; and
 - (f) the first storage location is within a fourth cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a fifth cylinder of the storage device, and the fourth cylinder is closely spaced with respect to the fifth cylinder.
- 112. (Canceled)

113. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in Claim 110, wherein:

the first Web object is a Web page;

the second Web object is a component of the Web page;

the component of the Web page is associated with a file type that is selected from the group consisting of a text file type, an image file type, an audio file type, and a video file type; and

the Web page and the component of the Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the component of the Web page being embedded within the Web page.

114. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in Claim 110, wherein:

the first Web object is a Web page;

the Web page includes a hyper-link to the second Web object; and

the Web page and the second Web object have correlated retrieval times as a result of the Web page including the hyper-link to second Web object.

115. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in Claim 110, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the first Web page and the second Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the second Web page being embedded within the first Web page.

116. (Currently Amended) An apparatus as recited in Claim 110, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the apparatus further comprises:

means for the server identifying that a third Web page is embedded within the second Web page;

means for the server obtaining the third Web page; and

means for the server causing the third Web page to be stored as a third file in a third storage location on the storage device, wherein the third storage location is selected to be co-located with respect to the second storage location because the third Web page is embedded within the second Web page.

117 - 123. (Canceled)

124. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium carrying one or more sequences of instructions for storing Web objects in co-located positions on a storage device, which instructions, when executed by one or more processors, cause the one or more processors to perform the steps of:

receiving, at a server from a first client device, a first request for a first Web object; in response to the first request,

the server obtaining the first Web object and a second Web object; and the server sending to the first client device the first Web object and the second Web object;

the server causing the first Web object to be stored in a first temporary location on the storage device;

the server causing the second Web object to be stored in a second temporary location on the storage device,

wherein the storage device is included in the server;

wherein the server is a Web caching server;

the server identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

determining that a criterion is satisfied, wherein the criterion is satisfied when the Web caching server is processing a number of requests that is below a specified value;

based on a criterion being satisfied,

- the server causing the first Web object to be stored as a first file in a first

 storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the first Web
 object to be stored as a first file comprises the server causing the first
 Web object to be moved from the first temporary location to the first
 storage location; and
- the server causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file in a second storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file comprises the server causing the second Web object to be moved from the second temporary location to the second storage location;
- wherein the second <u>storage</u> location is selected to be co-located with respect to the first <u>storage</u> location in response to identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;
- receiving, at the server from a second client device, a second request for the first Web object; and

in response to the second request,

- the server obtaining the first Web object by causing the first file to be read from the storage device in a first read operation;
- the server obtaining the second Web object by causing the second file to be read from the storage device in a second read operation; and the server sending to the second client device the first Web object and the second Web object.
- 125. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium as recited in Claim 124, wherein:
 - the first storage location is co-located with respect to the second storage location on the storage device because the first storage location and second storage location are associated with a relationship; and

the relationship is selected from the group consisting of:

(a) the first storage location and the second storage location are located within a first track of the storage device;

- (b) the first storage location is within a first sector of a second track of the storage device, the second storage location is within a second sector of the second track of the storage device, and the first sector is contiguous with the second sector;
- (c) the first storage location is within a third track of the storage device, the second storage location is within a fourth track of the storage device, and the third track is adjacent to the fourth track;
- (d) the first storage location is within a first cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a second cylinder of the storage device, and the first cylinder is adjacent to the second cylinder;
- (e) the first storage location and the second storage location are located within a third cylinder of the storage device; and
- (f) the first storage location is within a fourth cylinder of the storage device, the second storage location is within a fifth cylinder of the storage device, and the fourth cylinder is closely spaced with respect to the fifth cylinder.
- 126. (Canceled)
- 127. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable storage medium as recited in Claim 124, wherein:

the first Web object is a Web page;

the second Web object is a component of the Web page;

- the component of the Web page is associated with a file type that is selected from the group consisting of a text file type, an image file type, an audio file type, and a video file type; and
- the Web page and the component of the Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the component of the Web page being embedded within the Web page.

128. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable storage medium as recited in Claim 124, wherein:

the first Web object is a Web page;

the Web page includes a hyper-link to the second Web object; and

the Web page and the second Web object have correlated retrieval times as a result of the Web page including the hyper-link to second Web object.

129. (Previously Presented) A computer-readable storage medium as recited in Claim 124, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the first Web page and the second Web page have correlated retrieval times as a result of the second Web page being embedded within the first Web page.

130. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium as recited in Claim 124, wherein:

the first Web object is a first Web page;

the second Web object is a second Web page; and

the computer-readable storage medium further comprises instructions which, when executed by the one or more processors, cause the one or more processors to perform the steps of:

the server identifying that a third Web page is embedded within the second Web page;

the server obtaining the third Web page; and

the server causing the third Web page to be stored as a third file in a third storage location on the storage device, wherein the third storage location is selected to be co-located with respect to the second storage location because the third Web page is embedded within the second Web page.

131 - 137. (Canceled)

138. (Currently Amended) A method for storing Web objects in co-located positions on a storage device, comprising:

receiving, at a server from a first client device, a first request for a first Web object; in response to the first request,

the server obtaining the first Web object and a second Web object; and the server sending to the first client device the first Web object and the second Web object;

the server causing the first Web object to be stored in a first temporary location on the storage device;

the server causing the second Web object to be stored in a second temporary location on the storage device,

wherein the storage device is included in the server;

wherein the server is a Web caching server;

the server identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

determining that a criterion is satisfied, wherein the criterion is satisfied when the Web caching server is processing a number of requests that is below a specified value;

based on a criterion being satisfied.

the server causing the first Web object to be stored as a first file in a first

storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the first Web
object to be stored as a first file comprises the server causing the first
Web object to be moved from the first temporary location to the first
storage location; and

the server causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file in a second storage location on the storage device, wherein causing the second Web object to be stored as a second file comprises the server causing the second Web object to be moved from the second temporary location to the second storage location;

wherein the second <u>storage</u> location is selected to be co-located with respect to the first <u>storage</u> location in response to identifying that the second Web object is embedded within the first Web object;

receiving, at the server from a second client device, a second request for the first Web object; and

in response to the second request,

the server obtaining the first Web object by causing the first file to be read from the storage device in a first read operation;

the server obtaining the second Web object by causing the second file to be read from the storage device in a second read operation; and the server sending to the second client device the first Web object and the second Web object.

139 - 141. (Canceled)